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ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S  
GETTYSBURG  
ADDRESS

# THE GETTYSBURG ADDRESS OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN

FOURSCORE AND SEVEN YEARS AGO  
OUR FATHERS BROUGHT FORTH ON  
THIS CONTINENT, A NEW NATION, CON-  
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THE PROPOSITION THAT ALL MEN ARE  
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LARGER SENSE, WE CANNOT DEDICATE—  
WE CANNOT CONSECRATE—WE CANNOT  
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## LINCOLN'S MESSAGE TO US

"It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us"—expresses in the words of Lincoln's immortal Gettysburg Address the duty which now lies before us. The willingness with which we shoulder our task will measure the degree of our patriotism.

The work laid upon us by the war must be completed. Helping to make the Victory Loan a success is one of the few privileges which the war has left us. We can do no less than to strive to do all within our power to share in this high honor—helping the Nation to carry the financial burden which the task of freeing the world has entailed.

In the spirit of this great address, we shall do our part in making successful the Victory Loan, and we will esteem it an honor to act as your agent in subscribing for whatever amount you may desire.

May we have the pleasure of hearing from you?



TRUST COMPANY

President

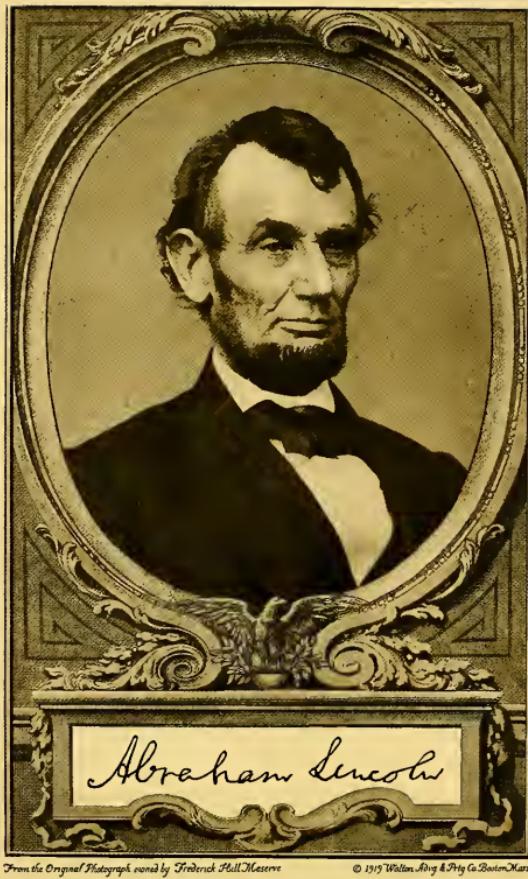
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OUR POOR POWER TO ADD OR DETRACT.  
THE WORLD WILL LITTLE NOTE, NOR  
LONG REMEMBER WHAT WE SAY HERE,  
BUT IT CAN NEVER FORGET WHAT THEY  
DID HERE. IT IS FOR US THE LIVING,  
RATHER, TO BE DEDICATED HERE TO THE  
UNFINISHED WORK WHICH THEY WHO  
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THAT FROM THESE HONORED DEAD WE  
TAKE INCREASED DEVOTION TO THAT  
CAUSE FOR WHICH THEY GAVE THE LAST  
FULL MEASURE OF DEVOTION—THAT WE  
HERE HIGHLY RESOLVE THAT THESE DEAD  
SHALL NOT HAVE DIED IN VAIN—THAT  
THIS NATION, UNDER GOD, SHALL HAVE  
A NEW BIRTH OF FREEDOM—AND THAT  
GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE  
PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE, SHALL NOT  
PERISH FROM THE EARTH.

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